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ACTION: Amended Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Title 28, California Code of Regulations

SUBJECT: Scheduling public hearings and extending comment period for Language

Assistance Programs, Control No. 2004-0115, adopting title 28, California

Code of Regulations section 1300.67.04 and deleting subsection (f) of

section 1300.67.8.

PUBLIC PROCEEDINGS: Pursuant to Government Code section 11346.8(a) the Department of Managed Health Care (Department) has scheduled two public hearings on proposed regulation rulemaking file # 2004-0115, Language Assistance Programs.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The first public hearing will be held on:

February 14, 2006 11:00 a.m. California Hospital Medical Center, Keck Hall 1401 S. Grand Avenue Los Angeles, California

The second public hearing will be held on:

February 16, 2006 11:30 a.m. Oakland Asian Cultural Center 388 Ninth Street, 2nd floor, Conference Room 4 Oakland, California

The purpose of these public hearings is to solicit and receive public comment regarding the above referenced proposed rulemaking action. Any interested person, or his/her duly authorized representative, may attend the hearings and submit written or oral comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action. Oral comments during the public hearings should be limited to the subject of the proposed regulation and no more than five (5) minutes in length. The Department will respond to comments and questions at a later time in writing. The public hearing will adjourn after all comments have been heard or at 5:00 p.m., whichever occurs sooner. The agendas for both public hearings are available on the Department's website under the "Upcoming Meetings" section at www.dmhc.ca.gov.

Questions or comments regarding the regulation or these public hearings may be directed to Mark Sumner, Office of Legal Services, 916-445-9757, <u>msumner@dmhc.ca.gov</u>.

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REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS:

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please submit your request for reasonable accommodations at least seven (7) days in advance. The Department will attempt to accommodate late requests to the extent possible. You may submit your request via email to Natalie Monroe, Regulations Coordinator at nmonroe@dmhc.ca.gov or 916-445-4078. You may contact California Relay Service for the deaf or hearing impaired: 1-800-735-2929 (TTY) or 1-800-735-2922 (Voice).

WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD: The written comment period is extended until March 3, 2006. Any interested person, or his/her authorized representative, may submit written statements, arguments, contentions, or comments relevant to this proposed regulatory action by the Department. Written comments must be received by the Department of Managed Health Care, Office of Legal Services by 5:00 p.m., on March 3, 2006, which is hereby designated as the close of the written comment period.

Please address all comments to the Department of Managed Health Care, Office of Legal Services, Attention: Regulations Coordinator. Comments may be transmitted by regular mail, FAX, email or via the Department's website:

Website: http://wpso.dmhc.ca.gov/regulations/

Email: regulations@dmhc.ca.gov

Mail: Department of Managed Health Care

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Attn: Regulations Coordinator 980 9th Street, Suite 500 Sacramento, CA 95814

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Please note, if comments are sent via the website, email or fax, there is no need to send the same comments by mail delivery. All comments, including via the website, email, fax or mail, should include the author's name and U.S. Postal Service mailing address in order for the Department to provide copies of any notices for proposed changes in the regulation text on which additional comments may be solicited.

Inquiries concerning the proposed adoption of this regulation may be directed to:

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CONTACTS: Please identify the action by using the Department's regulation title and control number, **Language Assistance Programs, Control No. 2004-0115**, in any of the above inquiries.